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TEN PAGES.

Announcements.

Remember the special price sale at H. H. Thompson's this month. A rare opportunity to get first class goods at very low figures.

Have your pictures framed at Clapp & Jones's If your watch or clock is out of repair leave It at C. W. Sawyer's, opposite American House

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ery at Clapp and Jones's. Beautiful framed pictures at low prices

Smoke the H. & G. No. 80, best five-cent eigar. Sold at the Brooks House Pharmacy.

Waterman fountain pens the best. Pull as CLAPP & JONES. Popular sheet music and books. Strings for all Instruments and musical supplies at Clapp 3

Grange griddle cake supper next Thursday

I have moved my barber shop to Ryther block first floor, entrance next door north of Roberts' grocery store. I wish to thank my customers for their favors in the past, and to assure them and any others who may call upon me, that I hope by careful workmenship and strict attention to busi-ness, to merit their patronage in the future.

Miss Park's Private School.

For all ages, 13 Chapin street. Prepares for public schools, business, or college. Spring term opens March 19.

BRATTLEBORO.

One of the Eastern Star's social gatherings will be held tonight at Masonic hall. Several cellars in different parts of the village were flooded during yesterday's

The Brooks House Pharmacy makes an interesting display of Indian relics in connection with its line of Kickapoo remedies. The mixed train on the narrow-gauge

road will be held until 9.30 next Wednes day morning to accommodate those who wish to attend the opening of county court. The official record was 10 below zero Tuesday morning, the lowest mark of the season, which was also equaled Feb. 3. Wednesday morning the mark was six be-

Oliver Danyew, 80, father of George Danyew, a former Brattleboro barber but now of Middlebury, died at his home in Ferrisburgh yesterday. He is survived by

H. F. Weatherhead of West Brattleboro aunounces this morning that he will not be a candidate for the office of road commissioner, being unwilling to enter into a personal contest.

A. V. May's agency has sold for O. G. Woodbury of Columbus, Ohio, his place, known as the Jonathan H. Richardson farm in Gullford, to H. M. Fletcher of Claremont, N. H.

The closing meeting of the '98 club was held with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Eckels Tuesday night. Mrs. P. H. Drisiane and T. A. Austin were awarded the progressive prizes for the season's play, the booby prizes going to Mrs. T. Aher and P. H.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lavin, Miss Edith MacGregor and Clemente Bologna will give an operatic concert in Fitchburg tonight. The entire capacity of the opera house, about 1200 seats, has been sold. All but about 100 seats were sold Tuesday, the first day of the public sale.

The storm vesterday caused the electric cars to run on irregular time, and after six o'clock in the evening only one car was run, and that one stopped at the Canal street schoolhouse, the track up Canal street being covered with several inches of sand. Employes of the road worked all night with the snow plow.

The town meeting will open promptly next Tuesday at 9 A. M. The check list containing the names from A to and including K will be on the south side of the hall, and the remainder of the list on the north side. The law requires the election of road commissioner and school committee by ballot.

Anonymous letters have been received by the prosecuting officers of Brattleboro containing complaints, threats and libelous statements. These statements will receive no attention whatever, but will be consigned to the waste basket. If the would be reformist wishes to avoid publicity let him have the courage of his convictions and bring forward his proof.

The Lyons Granite company of West Dummerston suspended operations Wednesday, having completed all of its present contracts. The company has several large bids pending, but none of them has been definitely decided. The new freight schedule of the Central Vermont railroad is likely to interfere seriously with the work e company. Since Jan. I the freight rates have been advanced 75 per cent, and on one order of \$8000 this advance meant a difference of \$1600 to the granite company.

News has been received of the death of Anna Vincent, the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hall at Yale, Idaho. Her death was sudden, she being ill only a few days with pneumonia. She was a lovable girl and won the love and admiration of all who met her. She possessed a litererary mind, having written many short tories of ranch life, and was the favorite of the school. The father and mother and two brothers have the sympathy of their Brattleboro friends.

The Brattleboro chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution surprised Mrs. J. J. Estey yesterday afternoon by appearing at her residence from 3 to 5 for an informal greeting and to have the pleasure of personally congratulating their new state regent. Mrs. Weeks, vice regent, in behalf of the chapter, with appropriate remarks, presented Mrs. Estey with a laurel wreath and bunch of violets as tokens of their esteem and good wishes. The severe storm prevented the attendance of many who would otherwise have been present.

The body of C. H. McClellan, of the firm of C. H. McClellan & Co., Troy, N. dealers in shirts, collars and cuffs, was found Tuesday morning inside the storm door of the Brandon Inn. He had arrived there on a night train from Rutland, and t is thought he was trying to enter the hotel when he was selzed with heart disease. Mr. McClelian was well known in Brattle bore, having come here to make sales for many years. Mr. McClellan was a prominent resident of Greenfield, Mass., many He was a native of Colrain, and wrote a history of that town.

From J. E. Harris's special Washington letter in the St. Albans Messenger: "Also among the Vermonters in town the past week was Gen. Julius J. Estey of Brattleboro, who presided at a monster song service last Sunday evening at one of the largest of the city churches. Ira D. Sankey was the feature of the meeting, and he sang a number of the sweet old Moody and Sankey gospel hymns as solos in a manne which powerfully affected the vast audience. Gen. Estey has long been identified with Mr. Moody's great work in an official capacity, and it was especially fitting that he should preside on this occasion."

Five shares of Brattleboro Street Railroad stock are for sale—a good investment. Address or call on A. V. May, Bank block.

Lawyer Anthony F. Schwenk has been admitted to practice in the United States district and circuit courts.

Mrs. Frank C. Field entertained a numper of her friends at a five o'clock tea last Saturday afternoon at her home on Western avenue.

Protective Grange will serve a griddle cake supper in the Grange banquet hall next Thursday evening for the benefit of the relief fund.

Senator Proctor has introduced a bill in Congress to grant a pension to Henry W Walker. The bill and the accompanying papers went to the committee on pensions. Deputy Clerk E. W. Gibson and Miss Helen Fenton, stenographer, went to Ches-ter Tuesday to the examination of Charles E. Hall, bankrupt, before Gilbert A. Davis,

The regular monthly business meeting of the association and board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will be held in the association rooms Monday evening. A good attendance is desired.

John G. Baker sold last week a pair of well matched speedy chestnut mares to E. M. Rockwell, the silk manufacturer of minster, Mass., who bought them for ariving purposes.

Dunham Brothers will give a complinentary banquet to their 30 employes at the Brooks House this evening. The event takes place in connection with the salesmen's school which the firm is holding the last three days of this week. Music will be furnished by the Brattleboro mandolin, banjo and guitar club.

James A. Herne's "Sag Harbor" will entertain the largest audience of the season at the Auditorium tomorrow evening, judging from the advance sale of tickets. 'he sale opened Monday morning at 8 clock at the box office, and when Manager Fox began to check off seats there were early 50 people in line. By Monday night a large part of the seats had been taken, and here has been a continual sale since then.

The Woman's club will meet this afternoon with Mrs, F. H. Holden. A symposium on "Housewife's Day" has been pre pared, the questions for discussion being:
"Hostess and guest," "the art of economy," "the onnce of prevention" and the ser-vant problem." The evening session will meet with Mrs. A. M. Harlow in Crosby block next Wednesday when the same program will be carried out.

The Fletcher saw mill which was reently sold to the Potter, Powers company of Springfield, Mass., was reopened this week after having been closed several weeks for repairs. The machinery was sent away to be overhauled, the dam and me have been put in first-class condition and other repairs have been made. The mill has a prospect for a large business this spring.

Capt. W. T. Haigh will place in the Brattleboro Free library one of the souve-nir badges presented to Company I, First Vermont Volunteers, by Col. W. Seward Webb of Shelburne. The metal bar is made from a part of the Spanish cruises Maria Teresa, which was sunk in the naval battle at Santiago. The badge would have en given to Joseph Vollenger, a private in Co. I, had he lived.

The second dance given by the First Regiment band, which took place in the Armory Tuesday evening, was even more successful than the first in the series, judging from the large attendance. 75 couples participated in the dancing, which continued from 9 to 12 o'clock. The oncert given by the band from 8 to 9 o'clock was enjoyable, Sousa's latest march "The Man Behind the Gun" being an important part of the program.

A. E. Torrey of North Hinsdale, while walking beside a load of lumber on the Hinsdale road recently ,slipped and fell on the ice at a point near Sand hill, and disocated his ankle. A neighboring farmer carried him to his home, a physician was summoned, who reduced the dislocation, able to use his leg. J. B. Taylor, who lives near by, sawed two fingers of one and, the same day, while working in his

son's saw-mill. The Greenfield Gazette and Courier, in ts report of the operatic concert in that town last week, says: "An mexpected episode was the going out of the electric lights while Stella Brazzi was singing a solo. Without a second's warning the hall was dark. The stage manager jumped for the button that turns on the arc light, and probably not much more than a quarter of minute had passed when the big light at the ceiling was turned on. A few minutes later the incandescent lights came on again. Mrs. Pratt kept on singing and Mr. Howe continued to play without the slightest appearance of a break, a remarkable exhibition of self-possession.

It will please the wide circle of friends of Rev. Lewis Grout to know that his monograph on the war in South Africa, first read before the Brattleboro Professional club, and then printed in pamphlet form, has met with deserved recognition. The second edition, which went on sale last week, has been exhausted, many orders coming from out of town. The Boston Journal devoted a half-column editorial to "The Boer and the Briton," quoting the statements of fact by Mr. Grout in support of its own contention that the war unjustifiable on the part of Great Britain, and recommending the pamphlet "to all who wish a compact and intelligent presentation of the facts in convenient

A current item about a movement by the Daughters of the Revolution for a reunion of Vermonters to be held at Montpelier next summer evidently started in cuess at the facts. At the meeting of the 'Colonial Dames of Vermont,' held at Bennington last fall, it was proposed that a movement be started for a "Vermont home-coming week" next summer, after the plan followed in New Hampshire last year. This was only a suggestion, how-ever, for these women recognized that the success of such a movement must depend on the feeling toward it of the governor and other leading men, and that the initiaive must be taken by them. So far as the Colonial Dames are concerned the novement has only gone so far as the appointment by the board of management of committee, of which Mrs. Kittredge Haskins of this village is a member. The plan, as now understood, does not contema meeting at any one place, but a general home-coming of Vermonters on some date or dates to be named. It is to be hoped that it may be carried out successfully.

An Old Age Serene and Bright.

One of the few surviving war governors s the venerable Frederick Holbrook of Brattleboro, who has just celebrated his 86th birthday. The occasion was remem-bered by many of his neighbors and friends who called or wrote to express congratulations. The venerable ex-governor is a man who grows old beautifully, if the expression may be allowed. He retains his obysical strength to a remarkable degree, while his mental condition is apparently animpaired. In the perplexing and dark days of a great civil conflict he performed noble public service and his evening of life is being spent in peacefulness. A recent observation of Gov. Holbrook's is certainly valuable. He said: "It is perfeetly clear to me that the world grown better during the past 100 years and I firmly believe that the next century will witness as marked an improvement. [Northfield News,

Henry B. Stone of Brattleboro has been granted an increase of pension from \$12 to \$17 a month.

Fred Langille, until recently employed by Miller & Kinson, has opened a harness repair shop at his house on Elliot street. S. W. Edgett has sold the house at 24 Forest street, owned by the Vermont Savings bank and occupied by J. A. Titus, to Mrs. Ellen Dunham of South Main street.

The board of civil authority will meet in the selectmen's room at 2 o'clock tomor-row afternoon to revise the check list which is to be used at the town meeting next Tuesday.

G. E. Gilman has sold this week a fine pair of sorrel draft horses, weighing 3000 pounds to George Townsend of Putney for \$400. They were recently shipped here from Michigan. The 10-months-old daughter of Mr. and

ilness of a little over 24 hours. The funeral was held from the house on South Main street at 3 o'clock. The next in the series of concerts and dances will probably be given by the First Regiment band at the armory Tuesday night, March 13. The latest "rag time" melodies will be played for the two-step

Arthur F. Roberts gave a four-table progressive heart party at his home on West-ern avenue Tuesday evening. Miss Jophine Foster of Springfield, Mass., won he progressive prize, and C. D. Noyes neceeded by his "olly" ways in capturing

he booby's honors. There was a hearing in the Brooks House Friday afternoon before Judge Wheeler on a petition of William J. White of Williamsville, bankrupt, for a review of the decision of the referee dismissing a petition of the bankrupt for the appointment of commissioners to set out a homestead. Col. Kittredge Haskins appeared for the credito:s and Lawyer Frank E. Stowe for the bankrupt. The petition was dismissed without prejudice.

Adjutant Gen. Corbin has issued a statement of the strength of the volunteer force called into service during the war with Spain, and the losses from all causes. The record given of the First Regiment Vermont Volunteers is as follows: regiment served from May 16 to Oct. 26, sps. At the muster in there were 48 officers and 980 men. At the muster out there were 49 officers and 925 men. Of the officers two resigned and one died of disease. Thirty of the men were trans-ferred, 26 died of disease and two deserted.

The young unmarried people of the Proective Grange will give an entertainment n Grange hall next Wednesday evening; two weeks from that date the married women of the Grange will give one, which will be followed two weeks later by third of the series in charge of the married A committee has been appointed to heelde as to the relative excellence of the the entertainments, and a banquet will be served to those whose entertainment is the best. The next in rank will wait upon them and those third in rank will pay the

Jas. A. Herne is winning an unpreedented success in New England this month in Sag Harbor. The average weekly receipts were \$7277. In Providence, R. , for the week ending Feb. 5, the entire onse was sold when the company arrived n the city. The gallery alone was reserved for sale and every seat in it was sold in six hours. Feb. 12 and 13 at Lawrence the receipts were \$2114.50; Feb. 14, at Dover \$1012; Feb. 15 at Manchester \$1057.25; Feb. 16 and 17 at Worcester \$3140. The latter are the largest receipts ever played to in the Worcester theatre. This great success will be here March 3.

Conductor Horace H. Sanders, who runs on the Central Vermont railroad between here and New London, celebrated the 40th anniversary of the beginning of his work iers began his railroad career as a trackman and was afterwards promoted to baggage master, working in this capacity or three years. Since that time he has of three years of work for the Great Western road of Canada and a short time when ie was in the Massachusetts legislature, Mr. Sanders has been continually in the employ of the road for which he now col-

ects fares. The dames of the Centre church served a Colonial tea in the church pariors last evening at early candle light. Owing to the downpoor of rain throughout the day there was not a large attendance, but probably 75 or more attended. The guests were welcomed by Dame Bond and Dame Th son (Mrs H. E. Bond and Mrs. H. H. Thompson) in true Colonial attire. The tables were arranged lengthwise of the cooms and were laden with the favorite eatables in Colonial times, the table furniture being of old fashioned design, and were lighted with candles. The matrons and waiters were gowned in garments which their grandmothers and great grandmothers used to wear. Following the supper was a sale of work aprons.

Capt. S. E. Howard of West Newton will give next Thursday evening, March S, at the Congregational church, a talk on famous Italian pictures, illustrated slides procured during his recent European tour. This is an opportunity or all who have never been able to see the famous paintings. The pictures world's shown include several of the Annnuclaion, Nativity, and others illustrating the life of Christ. The Woman's club whose behalf Capt. Howard is to speak. o be congratulated upon this helpful adunct to famous picture study, as well as ipon the unusual opportunity this talk offers to the public. The lecture will begin

Lawyer H. G. Barber was in Randolph Monday to appear as counsel for the de-fendant in the case of Frank Bailey of Randolph against John Taft of West Dummerston, which was tried before Justice William H. Nichols and a jury. The action was brought to recover \$20 for two tons of iron which the plaintiff bought of the defendant in May 1809, the plaintiff claiming that the defendant had sold the iron to other parties. The defence claimed that the plaintiff had received all the iron which he bought excepting 600 pounds, which the defendant made a tender. after the suit had been brought, of \$10, including \$5 costs. The jury rendered a verdict for plaintiff to recover \$5 damages and \$5 costs, the amount of the tender made by the defendant. Lawyers M. M. Wilson and Joseph Boyden of Randolph were counsel for the plaintiff.

Capt. H. C. Streeter a Candidate for

Road Commissioner. Having been asked by some of the arger tax payers of the town to take the office of road commissioner for the present year, they having confidence in my ability and experience in road making and repairing in the village and in the back districts, and feeling assured that I would give satisfaction to the common sense people of Brattleboro, I take this way of saying that I will serve if elected. I should en deavor to fill the office faithfully and hon-orably and for the best interests of the taxpayers of the town of Brattleb H. C. STREETER.

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Miss Park's private school closes today for a two weeks' vacation. The spring term begins Monday, Mar. 19.

The stewards of the Methodist church have voted unanimously to ask the Methodist conference to return Rev. R. F. Lowe to the Brattleboro charge.

Rev. E. E. Bradbury of Lincoln, Mass., will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday. There will be special music at the opening of the Sunday school ses-

Manager Fox has reason to feel pleased at the sale of tickets for "Sag Harbor." The sale has been unusually large, but good seats may still be had. This will be Mr. Herne's first and last appearance in this part of the state.

John G. Baker sold recently the pair of bay horses which Col. Hooker bought some months ago in Montpeller. He also bought for the Colonel in Canton, N. Y., one of the finest pairs of chestnut horses Mrs. James Sheehy died Saturday after an seen in town for years.

The Murray club cleared about \$140 from the pageant which it presented at the Auditorium last Thursday afternoon and vening. The serpentine dance by Miss Mande Young was a performance which could be equalled by few professionals, and was all the more creditable convidering that the part was taken at short notice

G. M. Holbrook of Springfield, Mass., who recently bought the farm of Ezra Ames on Ames Hill through the agency of S. W. Edgett & Co., was in Brattleboro Saturday and sold the farm back to Mr. Ames, reserving from 40 to 50 acres upon which he will build a handsome summer residence, beginning as soon as the ground is free from frost. Mr. Holbrook will be iven the first chance to buy the entirefarm if Mr. Ames has an opportunity to

An alumni association of the graduates in Boston and vicinity of Middlebury col-lege of Vermont was formed at Boston Wednesday night. Rev. Dr. G. R. W. Scott of Newton was elected president, Other officers elected were: Secretary, Rev. George W. Brooks of Ashmont; treas-urer, Charles Farwell of Wollaston. A vote was passed requesting the trustees to appoint a committee of five from the Boston and other alumni associations throughout the country to cooperate in securing endowment funds for the college.

The oldest grocery store in town, that of Frost & Proctor, has been sold to E. R. Richardson of Winehendon, Mass., who has had extensive experience in conducting stores in Fitchburg and Leominister.
Mr. Richardson is a young man of ability
and high reputation, who will be a very
desirable acquisition to the business life of the community. He will take posession of the store next week. He will conduct a cash business under the style of the New York Cash Grocery. A grocery store has been run at the Frost & Proctor stand since Crosby block was built, first by J. W. Frost & Co., then Frost & Sigsbee, and for the last 16 years by Frost & Proc-

The final event in the series of ladies' nights given by the Vermont Wheel club will occur on the evening of Friday, March when the famous Tuxedo club of New York city will give a recital. This organization which is now in its 12th successful season consists of the following artists: D. Francis Ramseyer, baritone and sub-bass guitar; William H. Woolson, violin and mandolin; and Señor Alberto E. Ramirez, violincello. The program is varied, including both popular and classical selections, and the recital will no doubt make an evening of rare and diversified enter-tainment. The Tuxedo club is endorsed by leading social and musical organizations broughout the country.

Francis, the 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Kaine, died about 7 o'clock Saturday evening at the home of his parents on Elliot street after an illness of several weeks with a brain affection. meral was held from the Roman Catho church Monday morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. Father Cunningham officiating. The bur ial was in the Catholic cemetery. The was an unusually bright and promising child and his sunny disposition made im a favorite among his schoolmates and playfellows. He had been ill for several weeks last fall but was in apparently good health up to the time of his last illness. The bearers at the funeral were members of the lad's class in the parochial school.

Two of the commissioners in the case of Charles Miner against the estate of H. M. Adams in insolvency filed their report Satrday. The commissioners are A. W. J. Wilkins, J. W. Melendy and O. E. Butter-field. Mr. Butterfield did not sign the re-The signers report that in their judgment the mortgage of Adams to Mr. Miner was a valid lien on the property described therein, which mortgage was given two years subsequent to a mortgage given Adams to H. P. Smith on property of identical description. The assignee of the estate claimed that Mr. Miner's mortgage, which was for \$1700, was not valid, and they will appeal to the county court in behalf of the creditors of the estate,

The Londonderry Sifter, in commenting upon the injunction proceeding which stopped the presentation of "Way Down East" by the local dramatic club at South Londonderry, threw out the following slur "Not for a long time have our people been so stirred up. Features of it are unpleasant. It is universally believed that Brat tleboro, in some way, was at the bottom of the affair and the feeling just now is bitter towards that place." This tr This talk is arrant nonsense. No one in Brattleboro knew about the injunction except the lawyers who acted professionally through in-structions from New York. It would take an imagination of the Rider Haggard pattern to figure out a motive for interference by any one in Brattleboro.

The Colonial tea given at the home of Miss S. E. Clark in West Brattleboro Friday afternoon by the Woman's club was an occasion of rare delight. The appointments of the residence were admirably adapted to such an event, and the large number who were present (nearly 100) added much to the success of the occasion. Many of the guests wore special costumes. a large number of which were truly Colo nial in design. Miss Clark as Columbia was assisted in receiving by 13 members of club, the costume of each suggesting on of the 13 original states. The arrange ment of the dining room was beautifu and the refreshments were very appropri-ate. An interesting feature of the even was the attempt of the guests to indicate was the attempt of the guess to indicate in writing the names of the states represented by the costumes of the 13 who assisted Columbia in receiving. A piano solo by Miss Pauline Jenne and a minuet by Ellen Sherman were much enjoyed.

The town and village authorities have ade contracts this week with the Brattleboro Gaslight company for the lighting of the streets of Brattleboro. The contract with the village dates from Feb. 1 of this year and will continue three years, while the contract with the town dates from Jan. 1 of this year and will continue five years. The cost for lighting under the new contracts will be somewhat less than under the old contracts. Arc lights, for which \$150 has been paid heretofore for all night service, will be furnished for \$125. will be run until midnight for \$80 instead of \$90, the former price. The 25 candle power lights will be furnished for the same price as formerly, \$18, but they will be kept running until midnight instead of 11 o'clock, as heretofore.

THE GYMNASTIC EXHIBITION.

Highly Creditable Class and Individual Work by the Y. M. C. A. Athletes Last Evening

An exhibition in gyoroastic work was given in the Auditorium last evening by the members of the physical culture classes of the Y. M. C. A. The audience present was not large but it was apprec ative and enthusiastic, and the work of those who helped contribute to the evening's entertainment received its full measure of recognition. Much of the success of the enter tainment is due to H. R. Horton, physical director of the association.

There is nothing which does so much towards building up a strong constitution and insuring good health as systematic physical exercise, and there are muscles in the body which can be developed only by certain exercises. It is at the gymnasiun that these exercises are taught and practiced that the pupils may learn to make the best use of all the muscles with which they have been endowed by nature.

The class work last evening illustrated the methods by which the different muscles are brought into play. The dumb bell drill by the senior class and the work on the mats by the juniors were well executed, the precision with which all took part showing a large amount of practice. work on the parallel bars and the vaulting

horse by the seniors was also good.

One of the features of the evening was the fancy and illuminated club swinging by M. J. Moran. Indian club exercises are always pleasing, and the ease and grace with which Mr. Moran went through the difficult evolutions were surprising. cidedly weird effect was produced by the illuminated clubs. Each club was lighted by a red-globed electric light which gave a pretty color through the course of its manipulations. John Tasker did good work with the six, 10 and 20 pound clubs, and the musical club drill by a class of nine was commendable for its accuracy in move-

ment and precision in time. In addition to the more simple forms of gymnastic exercise there was an exhibition in advanced work on the different appara-tus. Howe, Monroe, Cundiff, Tasker and Horton executed some difficult feats on the horizontal bar and the parallels; Leitsing-er, Clapp, Ellis, Willard and Howe performed on the "elephant;" Ellis, Crowell, Ferriter, Crosier, Howe and Leitsinger gave an exhibition of high and broad diving; and Howe, Monroe, Cundiff and Horon in kicking.

An amusing part of the program was the lumbling by Leitsinger, Eilis and Crowell n clown costumes, assisted by Harry Chandler. The boys did some exceedir clever work for amateurs, and kept their audience in good humor by their antics. Crowell's contortion work was especially worthy of mention. The entertainment closed with a series of pyramids. who took part in the exhibition are:

George Clapp, Lawrence Cundiff, Frank Crosler, Patrick Fertiler, John Home son Barnes. Sbridge Cundiff, John Howe, Frank Helyer, Charles Lovering, Arthur Monroe, John Tasker, Rupert Wardner, Rupert Wardner, Robert Walker, Charles Moore, Bert Wood, Arthur Willard JUNIORS.

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Harry Chaneler,

TRAINS DELAYED.

maica--- Owl" Over 4 1-2 Hours Late this Morning.

The storm which visited Brattleboro Saturday and Sunday was unusually severe in parts of the state, rivalling in Benningon and Windsor countles the blizzard of All trains on the Rutland road were delayed several hours, and the Boston & Maine system was also tied up to some extent. Although the storm in this ounty was not nearly as severe as in other parts of the state the effects of the had weather were apparent in the irregularity of the trains from the north. The "owl train was over two hours late Monday orning, and the 9:10 mail was also behind time. The passenger train on the narrow gauge road was delayed several hours on its downward trip by ice and water which covered the track near Jamaica, and was also late on its return trip in the evening.

Yesterday's storm which came to Brattleboro in the form of a heavy rain, was a snow fall in the northern part of the state The "Owl" this morning was over 4 1-2 hours behind time, reaching Brattleboro shortly after 10 o'clock, nearly an hour after the 9:10 mail train. The mixed train on the narrow gauge road which started for Londonderry yesterday morning and the pas-senger train which left here last night are both stalled a short distance above Jamaica.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES. The glee club held a rehearsal Wednesday evening.

The reading club met with Mr. Whitaker at the Brooks House Wednesday evening and spent a pleasan; hour with Eugene A few selections on the piano helped to pass the time.

The athletic association elected the remaining members of the executive com-mittee this week, namely: Monroe, 01; Osgood, '02; Gilbert, '00. President Wellman was elected chairman of the commit-

The executive committee of the senior class have awarded the parts in the class day exercises to the following members of the class: Cfass oration, C. E. Bogie; class history, George E. Adams; class prophecy, J. Fred Morse; class poem, Miss Pearl Gibson; ivy poem, Miss Gertrude Croker; ivy oration, Miss Mary Cundiff.

Señor Varona Quesada illustrated his method of teaching Spanish in a very pleasing manner at the High school yester day afternoon. He has classes in Northampton and Springfield and comes here very well recommended. The committee have offered the pupils and teachers in the High school the opportunity to take up the study and about 50 were present at the illustration yesterday, and probably a class will be formed.

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The undersigned wish to express their heart elt thanks to all friends and neighbors for their saistance and kindly sympathy in their recen-MR. AND MRS. ELLIOT HARRIS, MR. AND MRS. F. S. JOHNSON MR. AND MRS. LESLIE SMITH, AND THE GRANDCHILDREN.

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MURDERED IN FRANCE.

Wounded Body of a Brattleboro Boy Found in Canal at Havre.

Thomas M. Atkins Was a Member of the United States Marine Corps on the Cruiser Prairies-Was Probably Robbed by Seaport Thugs.

The following cablegram to the New York Sunday World told of the sad end of well-known Brattleboro boy: "The body of Thomas M. Atkinson, a marine, belong-ing to the United States cruiser, Prairie, who was missed on Dec. 20, was found yesterday floating in the canal at Havre. It was fully identified by the United States onsul there. When the Prairie made her first trip to Havre, bringing the first load of American official exhibits, Atkinson got shore leave with the others, but failed to return. Nothing could be discovered of him, despite all efforts. Officials concluded he had deserted, and the Prairie left without him. The fact that the body, though badly decomposed, shows several wounds, eads to the belief that Atkinson was robbed and murdered by seaport thugs. The young man referred to is Thomas

Atkins, known to all his friends as 'Tommy" Atkins. His father was a liveryman in Brattleboro 18 to 20 years ago, and Tommy was a member of the class in the public schools which graduated from the High school in 1887. He spent several years with his sister at Lyons, N. Y., but had lived in Brattleboro within the last 10 years, being employed as an express mesenger. He was a nephew of Mrs. O. A.

Alvord of Elm street. Friends in Springfield, Mass., received letters from Tommy written just before he went from the ship for shore leave. He wrote that he had not been feeling well, and that he had had a good sum of American money changed for French money, and that he intended to make some purchases ashore. He referred to the bulk of the French currency, saying his purse was

stuffed with it.

Members of Company H, Springfield,
Mass., who served on the Prairie during the Spanish-American war, formed warm friendships with Atkins. They speak of him as a young man of good habits, and honorable in all his dealings. Atkins vis-ited in Springfield last Labor day and also on Thanksgiving day.

When Atkins enlisted in the navy the on" was added to his name by mistake. Tommy told his friends that so much redtape was necessary to get the record changed, that he was going to let the name remain Atkinson until the end of his five years' enlistment, July 17, 1901.

Mr. Atkins's father, Henry Atkins, now lives in Lyons, N. Y. The young man's sister, who was Mary Atkins, is the wife of Seymour Scott, who organized the maltster's trust. Mrs. Scott lives at The Netherlands in New York in the winter, and at Sodus Point in the summer.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY Christian Science service Sunday at

Grange hall at 10:45 o'clock. Subject, "Substance." All are welcome. Unitarian church.-Rev. E. Q. S. Osgood, pastor. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 11:45 a. m. Theme for next Sunday, "Fulfilment," All are welcome.

At the last meeting of Sedgwick Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. L. J. Retting, the president elect, resigned on account of sickness. At the regular meeting March 8 there will be an election to fill the vacancy. The Woman's Relief Corps will have a supper and social at Grand Army hall,

Friday, March 9. . The public is cordially invited. Supper will be served at 6. The Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. The Narrow Gauge Blocked Near Ja- | A. will hold its regular monthly meeting next Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. parlors. A good attendance is desired, as there is important business to be transacted.

> The meeting of the Alliance Study class will be held at the reception room at the Brooks House on Monday evening next, at 7:30 o'clock. A paper will be read by Mrs. J. M. Tyler, on "Why the Jews hate the Christians and the Christians hate the Members and friends are cordialy invited.

Universalist church .- Rev. R. K. Marvin, pastor. Morning service at 10:30 o'clock, subject of sermon "Silent Voices." Sunday school at 11:45 A. People's Union at 6 P. M. Vesper service at 7 P. M., with third lecture on "Life's Interrogations." Subject "Why is Man?" All are welcome to these services On Thursday, March 7, the Baptist

ociety will take their annual sleighride to Hinesburg. The ride will be delightful and the visitors carry good cheer to this worthy society which will serve a chickenpie supper, and afterwards will give an entertainment called "Parson Poor's donation party." Teams will be in waiting at Starkey & Wellman's store at five o'clock.
All are invited. Please leave your names at the store or give them to Arthur L. Maynard.

Services were held in St. Michael's Episcopal church Ash Wednesday at 11 o'clock, and the holy communion was ob-served. There will be week day services at the church during Lent Mondays at 11 A. M., Fridays at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M., and Saturdays at 4 P. M. Services will be held Sundays at 9:30 A. M., 10:30 A. M. and 7 P. M. Holy communion will be observed every Lord's day; on the festival of the Annunciation March 25 at 10 A. M., and daily on Holy Week at 7 A. M., except on Good Friday and Easter evening. Bishop Hall will officiate daily during Holy Week, including Palm Sunday and Easter Day. Week day services will be held Holy Week at 7 and 10 a. M., and 4

Mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. Michael's Roman Catholic church Ash Bridge Wednesday. Devotions will be held at 7.30 every

vening at St. Michael's Roman catholic church during Lent. Friendship circle will meet in Odd Fel-ows' hall Tuesday afternoon. Work will be furnished. Supper at 6 o'clock. The regular meeting of the Knights and

hall next Monday evening, March 5, at 7.30 o'clock. The Daughters of the American Revo-lution will hold their regular meeting at the Brooks House next Tuesday evening

Ladies of Honor will be held at Red Men's

at 7.30. A full attendance is desired. First Baptist church-F. E. Marble minister. Public worship, 10.30 A. M. and 7 P. M. Bible school at noon. All seats free at all services.

Centre church-Rev. H. R. Miles, pas tor. Morning service with communion at 10.30. Rev. E. E. Bradley will preach. Sunday school at noon. Vesper service at 5 P. M. Christian Endeavor meeting

Methodist church. Rev. R. F. Lowe, pastor. Sunday services Mar. 11. Communoin and reception of probationers, 10:30 A. M.; Sunday school, 11:45; Ep. worth league, 6 P. M.; preaching, I P. M.

F. R. Durgin, who has been at work in a drug store in Worcester, Mass., recently, is in town this week.

FOUND HIMSELF DEAD.

Startling Facts Revenled in Brattle.

boro Insurance Office.

Comedy of Errors Beauting from a

Striking Coincidence--- Chican or Chesterfield, N. H., Supposed to have Fatten Bend in Fitchburg, Mass,

A resident of Chesterfield, N. Ii., who came to Brattleboro Saturday was emirons ed with facts which proved that he was

mouldering in the grave.

About 61 years ago two male children were born in Wardsboro, each of whom was named W. W. Smith. One, when a young man, took out a policy in on- of the old life insurance companies in New York. He afterward moved to Chestern-

The Brattleboro agent of the insurance ompany which issued the policy, who is onstantly endeavoring by correspondents to locate holders of the old insurancies in his company who have move laway without sending their addresses agency, wrote to Wardsboro a fee days ago to ascertain what had become of w. W. Smith, as his policy had matured or was about to mature.

The reply came that Mr. Smith novel to Fitchburg, Mass., some years are and that on last Memorial day he fell feat while attending the Memorial authe city hall. An investigation begun, blank sheets were i with the proofs of death, the proofs were sworn to by the proper authorities, the widow was interviewed in regard to be

policy, etc.

The widow stated that she never knew that her husband had an insurance ; but she remembered hearing him say the all of his valuable personal papers were stolen some time before his marriage, which was 20 years ago, and she though there might have been a policy smong Very often policies are lost, but a the local office keeps a record of every poicy it issues the failure to find Mr. Smith's policy was of little consequence.

On Saturday as the proofs of death web being made ready to forward to the con-pany's main office W. W. Smith of Chesterfield walked into the local office on a matter of business connected with his icy. The records were turned to and then a curious situation was revealed. The number of the policy held by Mr. Smith of Chesterfield agreed with the recorded number of the policy supposed to have been stolen from W. W. Smith of Fatch ourg. Mr. Smith was able to prove that he was the rightful owner of the policy yet there were the proofs that he was dead

It took but a short time for Mr. Smith to explain that he once had a double Wardsboro and then the agent, who had never seen either of the men, saw that he had been misled by the information he received from Wardsboro, It is probable that the Mr. Smith who died in Fliehburg never had an insurance policy, and had the money been paid to his estate there is no doubt but that it would have been returned as soon as the situation was discovered.

New England Epworth League Cabinet Meeting.

One of the heaviest rainfalls of the winter greeted the cabinet members of the first general conference district as they met it the Methodist church Thursday, March I. The program for the morning session was somewhat disarranged, because of the storm and the absence of Rev. C. O. Jaf kins of Montpeller and Rev. Wm. Ban-den of Newport, N. H. After the der-tional service, led by Rev. A. A. Estibrook, and a solo rendered by Miss Edbbrook of Williamsville, Rev. H. E. Fost of Bangor, Me., gave the first address, taking He spoke in part as follows: The Christian for the times must clean-cut man. The different schools of thought, of art, of medicine, and of politics are sharply defined; second, he must be an enterprising Christian. It is an age of enterprise and the church must face is to sponsibilities; third, he must be enthus astic. Men in all departments are stthusiastic, they ought to be more so a

religion. George W. Penniman, general secretary of the cabinet, spoke on "Business Methods in League Work." He said one way to make business meetings interesting is to add something of a literary or social

nature. In the afternoon the praise service was led by Edward M. Wheeler of Providence, R. I. Rev. L. H. Dorchester of People's Temple, Boston, gave an inspiring address entitled "Christian Contact." The mercy and help department is the sociological part of the league. The possession of anything implies responsibility. are amazing activities carried on by Christians in our cities, but they are done by a few. We need to get every one to work.

After a solo by Mrs. W. B. Eddy, Rev. W. M. Cassidy of Hopkinton, Mass., spoke on 'The Expectancy of Jesus," especially as

illustrated by Peter. The last address was by Rev. M. S. Kaufman, Ph. D., of Brockton, Mass., of 'The New Epworthian." possible to describe the felicity of language or the power of this speech. a wide range of reading and a close acquaintance with the best of our latest literature. A duet by Mr. Morse and Mrs. Eddy closed the afternoon meeting. Leaguer's Vision," the evening address by Rev. H. E. Fosa, first vice president, was excellent, A number of people came down from Williamsville and some from

Putney. Rev. Mr. Lowe has been invited to speak at the July convention to be held in Lynn,

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